

DAILY MAGAZINE PAGES FOR EVERYBODY

Brush By Any Other Name

Would Work As Well and Out-class All "Rags"

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Many brushes are needed in daily cleaning. A goodly stock of these ranks high in household helps. But it is in choosing the right shape and kind of brush that gives the most satisfaction.

Feather dusters are as good as nothing, because they merely remove the dust from one place to scatter it elsewhere.

But a room cannot be properly dusted without some brushes. A fairly large, round one, about two and a half inches across, with bristles three inches long, is invaluable for those nasty, little ledges which are under tables and in carved or ornate furniture, round the mirror frames and in a thousand such places. Then a smaller brush of the same general shape, but with the bristles cut pointed, will clean out corners as nothing else can. If this brush is dipped into gasoline occasionally and then allowed to dry out the dust and the corners will not look so gray as they usually do.

For the white bath tub a curved brush with fairly stiff short bristles is more satisfactory than a cloth. It does not scratch and saves a great deal of rubbing, and a long handle on it also saves stooping.

In the kitchen the sink may be kept two small cheap scrubbing brushes, about four inches long, one marked "J" and the other "V," the first being for dishes and the second for vegetables. Celery, cabbage, the tops of apples and all sorts of foodstuffs can be quickly and thoroughly cleaned without the usual waste from scraping and an occasional boiling keeps the brush clean. For greasy dishes, pots and pans a small brush does wonders.

saving time and the usual scratching with knives.

A very large brush, or rather a very small broom, is also a most valuable help. It is called a "ceiling broom," and is the size of a child's toy, only with a very long handle, and is small enough to go into corners, thus saving getting down on the floor with a whisk to brush out the dust and threads. For sewing, living, and dining rooms it is especially useful, and being well made, will outlast an ordinary broom, which, anyway, is too cumbersome for such use.

All the old toothbrushes should be kept, for which there are a dozen uses, from cleaning combs to cleaning marble and Dresden ornaments, typewriters, silver, and for blacking small parts of stove and wrought iron.

Long Handled Trap Dust Pan.

Many housekeepers do use and still others might avail themselves of the exceedingly good long-handled closed dustpan, which can be purchased in several places. It is made of substantial tin, with a thin wire handle, and has a trap over the opening, so that when it is picked up off of the floor it closes of itself. It can then be hung over the arm and carried downstairs.

Improved Floor Mop.

Still another floor mop of the kind called "boat mop" which is to be used for polishing hardwood floors, is offered to the housewife. This new model is triangular in shape, instead of having a round crown or center. The substance of the mop is chemically treated fibers, which, when used with additional polishing oil, gives the floors a good luster without much effort on the part of the housewife. The triangular shape enables the mop to fit under radiators and furniture legs, and other "ungettable" places. Price, \$1.25 complete.

EXPERT ADVICE



By Michelson

Mode Decrees
Hoop Ear-
ring Is the
Thing

By MARGARET MASON.

O, hoops, my dear,
Come lend an ear
Or two, if you can spare 'em;
For hoop earrings
Are just the things—
All swaggers ears will wear 'em.

NEW YORK, March 28.—It surely is the open season for arms, necks, and ears. Having once thrown down the gauntlet, lovely woman seems loath to take it up again, in spite of the lure that the desperate glove-makers are spreading to catch her fancy and her hands.

Gloves stitched in brilliant hues and embroidered in gold and silver threads, gloves beaded and inset with motifs and medallions of lace, gloves incrustated and buttoned with sparkling semi-precious stones, and short gloves cuffed in delicately tinted kid to match their rainbow stitching, all wait their chance to slip on fair feminine fingers.

Certainly nothing could be more appropriate, prettier, or more comfortable with the filmy short sleeves of summer and evening toilettes than tapering fingers and well-molded arms. Of course, the tailored costume always demands its short glove of white or biscuit suede or dooskin, and for those who prefer a more conservative, the tailored standards of lace or chiffon which clasp about the wrist with a ribbon or jewelry band, and fall over the ungloved hand, softly veiling any blemishes.

As for the ears, they are exposed shamelessly by the upward trend of tresses in the new coiffure effects. It is indeed a promising earring thus laid bare for the nestling of the coquettish ear-drop. Hoops are the newest form of earring, and if fashion, bent on having them in some shape or other, and despairing of taking us by storm with the hoop skirt, had resolved to take us by the ears, with hoop earrings.

The most popular are the jet and onyx hoops hung within the other in sets of two and three that sway and dangle alluringly with the least toss of a pretty head. Single hoops of rhinestones or brilliant set in platinum also are very smart, particularly under artificial light.

Antique shops are being invaded by hordes of fair bargain hunters and ransacked for the ornate long earring of the Victorian period, while Paris has sanctioned with enthusiasm the wearing of the close button earring, where modesty draws the line in an unknown boundary to fashion. She draws the line only at the waistline, it would seem in some instances.

Indeed, a daring evening gown mode makes no pretense of regulation bodice whatever. The girle of black velvet is slightly pointed up over each shoulder, and the crash of white tulle over fresh-colored chiffon, which passes under the arms and over the bust, and down to the waist line, is a sight to behold. This is all there is to it save for a very popular and a wired ruffle of tulle, finished with beads is worn around each elbow or rather lack of it, even the loss of one bead might prove a serious matter, as a very low ebb in the layer of tulle or lace fills in the gap where discretion is the better part of fashion.

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Advice to Girls

By Annie Laurie

Dear Miss Laurie:
Just a few remarks, which I hope won't take up too much of your time. I am nineteen years of age. Not at all what one would term ugly, but it seems whenever I meet strange boys I lose all power of speech, and can't make up with them at all. My girl friends are not at all like this. I have not noticed times when I meet boys that they stare at me nearly all the time, and I blush and appear foolish. I wish if it were in your power to tell me what I can do to avoid these awkward ways and not appear foolish, as I think I do.

WELL, now, Annie, you've chosen the right name for yourself—once.

You're too anxious; that's all that's the matter with you.

Don't you worry about the strange boys who stare at you. Just notice how they stare at the other girls, too.

How do you know that you blush and appear foolish? Has somebody been kind enough to tell you of it?

Are you thinking about yourself all the time so that you know every time you change color? If you are, no wonder you are embarrassed.

The reason you "appear foolish" is because you are foolish. There's no great mystery about that.

What is there so overwhelming about the mere presence of a boy, pray tell me that?

Boys are made of just exactly the same kind of stuff as you are; they don't know any more than you; they can't read your mind any more than you can read theirs. This, I suppose is, after all, an excellent, wise provision of Providence.

Why on earth should you "appear foolish" just because a great, hobbler-deer of an awkward lad comes into the room?

He isn't thinking about you at all. Get that out of your head right now.

He's thinking about himself and wondering what foot to stand on, and what to do with his hands. He's probably just as "foolish" as you are, and a little bit more so.

Why don't you help him out of his

predicament? Talking is your business, not his.

A man has to be thirty years old before he knows how to talk at all. What shall you talk about? Why, what you are thinking about.

Words aren't magic things; they just stand for ideas. Haven't you any ideas of your own?

What would you talk about if the man were your brother—skating, sleighing, the new steps of the tango, the book you've been reading, or the book you wish you could read and can't get time to?

Well, then, talk about it, but don't talk so fast you scare the poor man to death. And, whisper—men are the most timid animals on earth; they hate to be pursued; they want to do the chasing themselves.

Don't hunt a man down into some corner and refuse to let him get away. Sit in your own corner and look pleasant, and the first thing you know you'll have to run pretty fast to keep away from most of the boys that you are afraid to speak to now.

And when you want to talk to a man, think of what you are saying, and don't keep wondering what he's thinking about you.

He's probably wishing he knew what there is going to be for dinner, and that far-away look in his eyes means nothing more than his high hope that it will be roast beef with plenty of gravy and all the potatoes perfectly well done.

So, what you are saying, and don't keep wondering what he's thinking about you.

You are just one little wheel in the great machine of the universe. Stop thinking so much about yourself, and let people will think a whole lot more about you.

Miss Laurie will welcome letters of inquiry on subjects of feminine interest from young women readers of this paper and will reply to them in these columns. They should be addressed to her care in this office.

Annie Laurie

Now Come the 'Speds' to
Doom All Easter Finery

Milady's Easter bonnet and suit will go by the boards, if the object of a society of nation-wide scope, which has just been organized in Washington, is successfully carried out.

It's the "E. P. E. D."—Society for the Prevention of Easter Desecration. The District of Columbia Christian Endeavor Union has organized the society, and literature is being sent to every Christian Endeavor Union in the country asking the members to join the movement.

All that is necessary to become a "sped" is to agree not to wear any new article of clothing from Palm Sunday until after Easter.

Not a New Bonnet.

Think of it! A crowded church on Easter Sunday and not a new bonnet in sight. Just the same old headgear we've seen every Sunday for the last several weeks. Therefore, it had been believed by many that the millinery display was just as essential on Easter as the special floral decorations that deck the altar and the special music which the choir has been practicing for weeks.

"Why not?" ask the members of the Christian Endeavor Union. "There are societies nowadays for the prevention of a large number of useless practices. Why not the 'Speds'?"

The statement being sent out by the union reads:

"Believing that the real meaning of the Easter-tide is often lost sight of these days, by reason of the popular craze for new and fashionable clothing at this particular season of the year, the District of Columbia Christian Endeavor Union is proposing to all Christian Endeavor societies

ties and to the Christian people of the community generally that they join the new society.

Must Sign Pledge.

"The members of this society pledge themselves not to wear any new article of clothing at any time beginning with Palm Sunday until after Easter Sunday. The Endeavor Union believes this movement will vastly increase the calm devotional spirit of the Easter season, and serve to check a growing tendency on the part of the American people to make the Easter festival a time for the showing of fashionable clothing."

"The union has asked that each Endeavor society in the District of Columbia have a committee obtain on legal size paper, the signatures of all the members of the society and church, if possible, as members of this new society. To every one paying 5 cents to the local committee, the Endeavor Union will forward, through the committee, a beautiful little token of membership in the 'S. P. E. D.'"

Impertinent Definitions

Pen points—Jokes.

Case hardened—The stern judge.

Yard sticks—Flower troubles.

Triple plated—Three-course dinners.

A moving spectacle—A race of chess.

A cracker jack—Jack Tor.

A drop letter—The Cockney H.

Dehorned—The man who signs the pledge.

Misplaced identity—The female impersonator.

THERE are rush seasons in every business, and in the Spring—well, you know about the Spring, with June coming and all the rest of it.

One's clients do not always consider how rushed one may be, and the result is that one has SOME business at such a time.

Ah! but it is a fascinating business—this business Prof. Cupid has on

his hands! These clients are so earnest! They don't know JUST what they want, but Prof. Cupid, HE knows, and despite the simply appalling strenuousness of the work he contrives to hit the right partnership advice in an amazing proportion of cases.

But you shouldn't hurry the Professor. Don't intrude on a consultation. You'll know when your turn comes!

Crime a Problem of Childhood

CRIME must be fought as a problem of childhood, declares Kate Waller Barrett today in answer to a correspondent who asserts the school is a factor of disseminating evil and urging the displacement of the Bible from the schools as a cause of lowering the moral tone.

Mrs. Barrett points significantly to the failure of State, Church, and Home to be perfect factors in combating crime and declares the school to be the one agency that can reach all the people.

She pays a tribute to the high moral influence of the teacher and suggests the way in which moral training can be brought about without offense to a single denomination or religion.

The school must become a real factor for social uplift is her conclusion.

By KATE WALLER BARRETT.

"The low moral tone among school children is known to everyone. Instead of being the power that it was thought the school would be, it is the center from which much evil is disseminated. The taking of the Bible out of the public schools, I believe, to be the one cause of the lacking moral force. Why not use your influence to bring the Bible back in the public schools?"

There is nothing more important than organizing the forces of society so that vice and immorality, in their manifold disguises, may become less. We have tried to point out, previously, that it is the disguises which vice and immorality wear and the multitudinous, apparently harmless forms under which it masquerades, that make it so difficult to recognize and deal with.

It is not possible that such an important factor in the progress of civilization as the public school would be overlooked by the forces of evil and that its disintegrating elements are present even in the school room or the sacred walls of the Temple of Learning.

Problem of Childhood.

No true friends of our educational system will deny these facts, but they will recognize their existence and prepare to cope with them, before they become too powerful to be eliminated.

The problem of crime is the problem of childhood. Prof. J. E. Haggerty, of the chair of sociology, in the University of Ohio, says: "In nineteen cases out of twenty, criminals become so before they reach their twentieth year. With equal truthfulness can it be maintained that the prostitute becomes immoral before she reaches her majority. If such is the case, how important is the work of child-saving, and how important is the institutional work which prevents girls and boys from entering life of immorality and prostitution."

The most important institutions which have to do with the problem of childhood are the State, the Church, the Home and the School. The State is the center of the life of the community. The Church is the center of the life of the family. The Home is the center of the life of the individual. The School is the center of the life of the child.

The school is the one agency, which contains something of the elements of strength for good of the State, the Church, and the Home, and which can reach all the people, especially the children.

Wherever there are compulsory ed-

ucational laws and children are compelled to go to school for a certain length of time, this is especially true. If much of the immorality and crime is begun during the school age, then it would appear that the only institution which may be organized to cope with the problem is the school.

There is no other individual who has the influence of the school teacher. She knows the children and can easily judge of the good and bad influences at work in their lives. Her interest is both personal and impersonal. If the teacher realizes that real teaching consists in the training of the child, not of teaching school branches, and that successful teaching works a radical change in the character of the individual, she will feel the necessity of reaching each pupil individually.

The number of children entrusted to each teacher should be small enough to permit her to know the weakness and strength of each home, the environment of the child, whether good or bad, the influence of the street, the playground, and a variety of social influences surrounding each.

How Much Can We Expect?

If she cannot bring about the desired changes in the individual alone, she should call on co-operating agencies to assist her. I believe that the Parent-Teacher Association and societies auxiliary to the schools will be of immense value in assisting the school to properly fulfill its important sphere.

The school should not be blamed for the immorality of its pupils. If the children are bad out of school, there is no miracle which is going to be worked by passing under the portal of the school. When we expect the school, in the short time which is allotted to it for both moral and intellectual training, to supply all the moral teaching necessary for the child, we expect more than it can fulfill.

Simple Styles Which May Be Easily Copied

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New Kiddies' Bonnets To Be Made At Home

By MADGE MARVEL

BONNETS for the little folks which do not tax the skill of the mother or big sister to make are always welcome styles.

These two are charming in their simplicity and daintiness, and form the most delightful frames for the cunning faces which peep from under the brims. Moreover, they will give excellent service for the more elaborate one may be of sturdy materials and

is chosen and an inch-wide velvet ribbon, laid loosely around the crown and tied with loops and ends in the back, and red roses placed along the band, it becomes a most practical school hat.

If white or pale yellow straw is selected, with black velvet ribbon and pink posies, it has a gala appearance. The other hat gives an opportunity for embroidery skill. The crown is made in sections of linen. One section, in lieu of straw, is a very popular and a wired ruffle of tulle, finished with beads is worn around each elbow or rather lack of it, even the loss of one bead might prove a serious matter, as a very low ebb in the layer of tulle or lace fills in the gap where discretion is the better part of fashion.

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colors or white. A linen button joins the sections. The brim may be corded or machine stitched to give it body, or it may be made of straw braid. There is a band of wash ribbon with a bow at the side.

How to Free the Skin of Ugly, Unsightly Hairs

(Toilette Tips.)

The woman who values a beautiful complexion will not tolerate hairy or fuzzy growths on her face or neck, and she doesn't have to, for a paste made by mixing some powdered dandelion with water and spread on the offending hairs about 2 or 3 minutes, when removed, will take every trace of hair with it. After this treatment the skin should be washed to remove the remaining paste. Be sure, however, that it is delicate you get—Adv.

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